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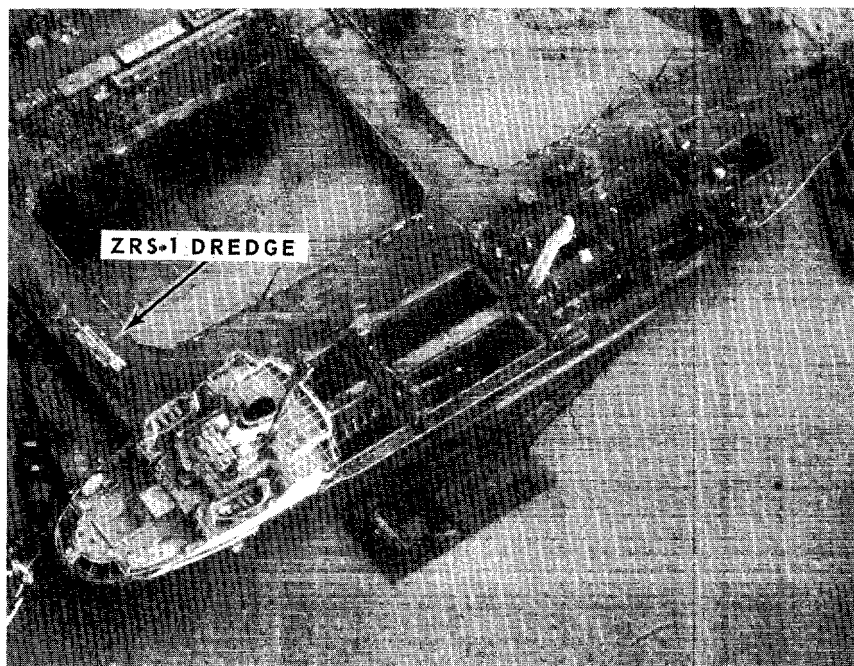


FIGURE 4. SOVIET SHIP PAVLOVSK DOCKED AT HAIPHONG, [REDACTED]

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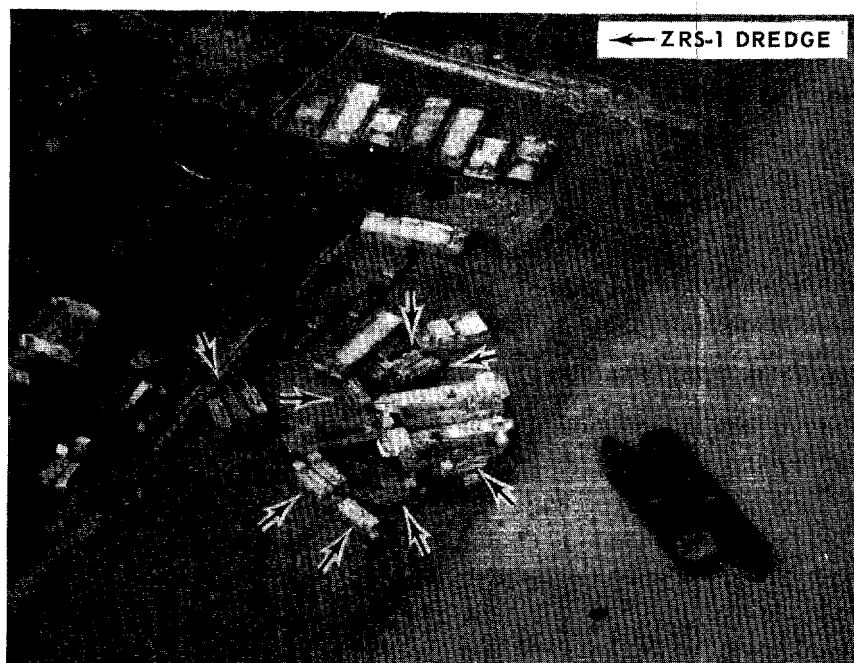


FIGURE 5. HAIPHONG SHIPYARD NORTH, [REDACTED]

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Increased Rail Activity and Indications of New Dredging in Haiphong

Recent photography reveals increased rail activity in Haiphong since the reconstruction of the main rail bridge in [REDACTED]. The amount of rolling stock in the port area on [REDACTED] totaled 116 pieces--mostly empty flat cars--as compared to 65 pieces on [REDACTED]. The main rail yard on [REDACTED] contained six locomotives and 95 pieces of rolling stock, also primarily empty flat cars; the [REDACTED] count was four locomotives and 63 pieces of rolling stock. The North Vietnamese are apparently transshipping larger quantities of cargo out of Haiphong and thus relieving serious port congestion for the present. Cargoes in the port area are not accumulating as had been anticipated.

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In addition there is evidence of new dredging operations and an increased capability to improve Haiphong Harbor and connecting waterways. The large Zemleses 8 dredge--last seen in Haiphong in [REDACTED]--was again observed there on [REDACTED] berthed at the public works pier. On [REDACTED] the Zemleses 8 was no longer observed in the Haiphong area on the limited coverage available.

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The Soviet ship Pavlovsk entered Haiphong on [REDACTED] with a visible deck cargo of two LCMs, three ZRS-1 dredge cutterhead sections and one POL barge. On [REDACTED] part of this cargo and seven new ZRS-1 dredges along with four associated pipe barges were observed near the Haiphong Shipyard North. Coverage of [REDACTED] revealed a total of 12 new dredges: 11 ZRS-1's with six pipe barges near the shipyard and another ZRS-1 on the dock near the Pavlovsk (see Figures 4 and 5). This is a considerable increase over the number of ZRS-1's observed previously in the Haiphong area at any one time.

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